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Application of: Chen et al.

Application No.: 09/735,296

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For: COMBINATION THERAPY OF
CANCER BY ACTIVATION OF
CO-STIMULATORY MOLECULES
EXPRESSED BY IMMUNE CELLS
AND CYTOKINES

Examiner: Chen, Liping

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed October 3, 2002, and in accordance with Rule 143 of the Rules of Practice, please enter and consider the remarks below.

It is estimated that no fee is necessary for filing this response. In the event a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds Deposit Account No. 11-1650.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. §121 to one of the following groups:

- (I) Claims 13, 15, 17, 19 and 26-37, drawn to a method for treating cancer comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of a first compound which is a nucleic acid molecule as activator of cytokine receptors, and a second compound which is 4-1BB ligand or derivative, classified in class 514, subclass 2;
- (II) Claim 26, drawn to a method for treating cancer comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of a first compound